

3 Little Girls Found Dead in Locked Kitchen

2 Bodies in Stationary Tub and One, Fully Clothed, on Floor When Caretaker Climbs Ladder to Window

Went to Room to Bathe

Ambulance Surgeon Says Gas Caused Deaths; Detectives Suspect Food Poisoning

Nettle Romano, nine years old, her seven-year-old sister, Dora, and their nine-year-old playmate, Maria Richard, were found dead in the kitchen of 133-A Twenty-ninth Street, Brooklyn, at 9:20 o'clock last night. The children had been left in the care of Mrs. Pedro during the absence of their parents.

Supper was ready at 7 o'clock. Mrs. Romano hurried from the kitchen and locked the children in the room. She went to her room. She found the kitchen door locked and her husband knocking. She hurried down, unlocked the door and found the children dead. She found the three children dead in the kitchen. Maria Richard lay on the floor and the Romano sisters were in the tub. The bodies were found in the kitchen. The children were found in the kitchen. The children were found in the kitchen.

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Nieces and Nephew Fight \$1,000,000 Price Will

Contest Is Filed, Asserting Undue Influence of Wife Cut Them Off

Two nieces and a nephew of David Price, who died April 7, leaving an estate valued at more than \$1,000,000, filed a contest of his will in the Surrogate's Court yesterday. The contestants, Mrs. Sadie Price, 304 Riverside Drive, and Mrs. Rose Tipper, 730 Riverside Drive, allege that the testator was under the undue influence of his wife, Mrs. Sadie Price, of 300 West End Avenue, when he executed the document that made no mention of his nieces and nephew. Mrs. Price, the widow, is the sole beneficiary.

It is asserted by the contestants that their father, a brother of Mr. Price, had assisted the deceased in his business, also is mentioned as having exercised influence on his brother-in-law, in favor of his sister.

Roosevelt Asserts MacNider Prevented Navy Cut to 67,000

Says He Used Legion's Influence; Commander Declares No Member Was Asked to Write Congress

Credit for defeating the efforts of the "wolf-headed pack" when they tried to cut down the personnel of the navy to 67,000 was given to Harford MacNider, national commander of the American Legion, by Theodore Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, last night. Mr. Roosevelt spoke at the dinner in honor of the national commander given by the New York Department of the American Legion at the Hotel Pennsylvania.

It would have been a national disaster to have cut down the navy for a few years, he said. He said that he had been told that MacNider had used the Legion's influence to prevent the cut. He said that he had been told that MacNider had used the Legion's influence to prevent the cut. He said that he had been told that MacNider had used the Legion's influence to prevent the cut.

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Other speakers, who paid tribute to Commander MacNider and the Legion, were Senator Chandler, Representative Simon D. Pess, of Ohio; Brigadier General S. D. Wolfe and Major J. V. Bouvier. About five hundred persons were present, and Martin W. Littleton acted as toastmaster.

Centenary of Shelley Is Observed in Exhibition

Books, Papers and Engravings Relating to Poet Shown at Grolier Club

The 100th anniversary of the death of Percy Bysshe Shelley is fittingly commemorated in the exhibition at the Grolier Club of books, manuscripts, engravings and other matters relating to the poet's career. One of the Shelley rarities is a copy of "A Vindication of Natural Deity" in the original boards, as published in 1810, and of which no more than eight copies exist. There are three here, the one in boards being unique. This is the famous pamphlet growing out of a note on vegetarianism occurring in his "Posthumous Fragments."

His early work, published at Oxford as the "Posthumous Fragments of Margaret Nicholson," and others which do not bear the Shelley signature, are interesting mementos of the poet's early career. Various autograph letters of a personal character include those to Thomas L. Pencoek concerning the poet's engagement with Mrs. Shelley and a noted specimen from William Godwin deploring the elopement. Also an interesting letter in which Shelley refuses pecuniary aid to his father-in-law and sums up his contentment for him.

There are first editions of practically all of Shelley's important works, including Leigh Hunt's copy of "Queen Mab" inscribed by the author; "Adonais" and "Hellas," the last work published, this being the Locker-Lampson copy in original wrappers. The exhibition is open to the public daily until May 2.

Shloss Suicide a Mystery

No one could be found yesterday who knew any reason why Charles Shloss should have killed himself last Friday in the apartment of his friend, David R. Este, at 43 West Eighty-eight Street.

Shloss drank, and was unable to make any explanation before he died. So far as could be learned yesterday Shloss had been in the best of health and spirits for some time prior to his suicide. He had no financial difficulties, and the idea that he might have been brooding over his innocent connection with the murder of Elmer G. Drewes, eighteen months ago, on the outskirts of Philadelphia, was said yesterday to be most improbable.

Rainbow Veterans to Meet

The third annual entertainment and reception of the Rainbow Division Veterans' Association will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Pennsylvania on Wednesday evening, May 3. Part of the proceeds of the affair are to go to overseas wounded, over 100 of whom, who are still in hospitals or badly crippled, will be the guests of the association.

First steps will be taken toward establishing a clubhouse for the Rainbow Division veterans of the State of New York, most of whom are members of the 155th Infantry, the old 89th Regiment. Daniel M. Brady will be the guest of honor.

H. Robert Porter Elected University Club President

H. Robert Porter, Columbia '88, has been elected president of the University Club. It was announced yesterday. Mr. Porter, who is a member of the firm of Sanderson & Porter, is vice-president of the Brooklyn City Railroad.

George W. Wickersham, Lehigh '75, former Attorney General of the United States, was elected vice-president. Ambrus D. Henry, Columbia '84, was chosen chairman of the house committee. The other members of which are James C. Auchincloss, Yale '08; William M. Chappin, Harvard '00; Robert Hartshorn, Yale '00, and John C. D. Williams '01.

Buffalo for Time Saving

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No Trace of Poison Or Drug Found in Jacksons' Bodies

Husband Believed to Have Succumbed to Stroke on Finding Wife; Cause of Her Death Still a Mystery

Fremont Madison Jackson, whose body was found, with that of his wife, on the floor of the bathroom of their suite in the Hotel Margaret Annex, Brooklyn, Wednesday morning last, died of a stroke induced by the shock of finding his wife's body. The cause of Mrs. Jackson's death remains a mystery.

This was the premise generally accepted yesterday by officials of the Kings County District Attorney's office and the police, after an exhaustive analysis of the stomachs of both victims. The report strengthens the official theory, held since Friday, regarding Jackson's death, but is regarded as complicating the case as it concerns the death of his wife.

The report of the toxicologist who yesterday analyzed the viscera of the couple was that no trace of poison was evident. As it affects the husband's death this report makes it probable that the official theory, which is also held by the members of the family, that Jackson died of shock, is the correct one.

The husband's death did not occur until some hours later than Mrs. Jackson's. When the bodies were found Jackson was seated on a bathroom chair, with his feet on the floor, and his head and shoulders resting on the edge of the bathtub, which was at his back. The position in which he was found indicates, the police say, that he was overcome while tending to raise Mrs. Jackson's body and that he fell backward unconscious.

The question as to what caused Mrs. Jackson's death remains unanswered. The report of Alexander O. Gettler, toxicologist of the Medical Examiner's office at Bellevue, is emphatic that no trace of any drug or poison of any sort is present in the organs of either of the couple. Dr. E. M. Vaughan, of District Attorney Roston's staff, insists that the death did not result from ptomaine poisoning.

Captain John Sullivan of the Brooklyn detective squad said yesterday that the toxicologist's report indicates that both deaths were due to natural causes, but he added that this made it more difficult than ever to establish the cause of Mrs. Jackson's death.

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"The gun was bought in the first place to shoot Bruen with. On the day we bought it he gave me \$12.50 to go in a pawnshop and get it. He stayed in his car on another street around the corner. The gun was put in a sack of his car and he took it to Riverside. This was before Christmas. He had a gun for himself and one for me. He was going to get Bruen along the road. The other gun broke from jangling in the car. It was a single barrel, and he threw the stick away and I threw the barrel away. The single-barrel gun was for me and the double barrel for him. I don't know where the stick is. He was with me when I threw the barrel away. Several times